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BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT

MEETING MINUTES

DPW Conference Room, 3rd Floor City Hall

Wednesday November 20, 2013

Call to Order. Called to order at 11:26am by Mayor Matthew T. Ryan.

Present: Matthew T. Ryan, Mayor; Charles Pearsall, Comptroller; Kenneth J. Frank, Corporation Counsel; Luke Day, Commissioner of Public Works

Absent: Philip T. Krey, City Engineer

Also Present: Lori Clift, Finance Data Processing Operations Coordinator; Michael Dervay, Purchasing Agent; Angela Holmes, City Clerk; Gerald Kennicutt, Deputy Comptroller; Joseph T. Zikuski, Police Chief

ITEMS CONSIDERED

72 Court Street. Offer to Purchase 72 Court Street for \$1, submitted by 33 State Street Associates on August 1, 2013. Sent to the Assessor's Office, the Office of Building Construction, Zoning & Code Enforcement and the Department of Planning, Housing & Community Development on August 2, 2013. Tom Costello responded on August 2, 2013, stating that he is not in favor of this offer, submitted without a plan for development that addresses the primary use for the proposed purchase and related impact on adjacent parcels. In addition, the proposed purchase price seems unrealistic. Scott Snyder responded on August 7, 2013 stating that he agreed with Tom Costello's recommendations. Tarik Abdelazim responded on August 21, 2013, stating that so long as Building and Engineering concerns are addressed (detailed plan with fire safety issues raised, investigation of right-of-way issues, higher sales price), PHCD has no objections to the sale, as the future use of the lot as a downtown park would still be feasible. Philip T. Krey met with Allan Pope, representing both owners of the two adjoining buildings, and discussed the installation of a fire escape. The Board discussed maintaining the parcel as a separate lot, in case the larger portion of 72 Court Street is developed at a future date, with the added condition that the parcel would be re-conveyed to the City for the same purchase price should development of the larger parcel take place. Kenneth J. Frank met with Scott Snyder, who is not in favor of the plan to sell a portion of the lot with the opportunity for the City to purchase it at a later date. Corporation Counsel contacted the applicant's attorney on September 27, 2013, stating that the City is interested in selling the stairwell to the alley, with the proviso that the City reserves an easement to construct over the area. Corporation Counsel instructed the attorney to ask his client to submit a revised offer if this plan is acceptable. No response received. Item held.

Offer to Purchase/Lease 17 Broad Street. Request to purchase or lease space at 17 Broad Street for a new Verizon Wireless communications facility. Submitted by Chad Blackiston, Tectonic Engineering. Angela Holmes contacted the applicant, instructing him to contact Luke Day to further discuss this offer. Item held.

Approval of Minutes. Request to approve the minutes from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment meetings held on November 13, 2013.

Motion to approve minutes.

Moved by Day, seconded by Frank.

Motion carried. (Vote 4-0-1)

Ayes: Ryan, Pearsall, Frank, Day

Nays: None



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Absent: Krey

Budget Transfers. Request to transfer \$4,100 from budget line A3120.51000 (Personal Services, Police Matrons) and \$8,000 from budget line A3120.51800 (Temporary Services) to budget line A3120.52600 (Equipment) for computer hardware and software purchase for investigations. Presented by Joseph T. Zikuski, Police Chief.

Motion to approve budget transfers.

Moved by Frank, seconded by Pearsall.

Motion carried. (Vote 4-0-1)

Ayes: Ryan, Pearsall, Frank, Day

Nays: None

Absent: Krey

Budget Modifications & Transfers. Request to approve various modifications and transfers within the 2013 budget in order to set aside funds in the Capital Fund for the purchase of a parcel management system in 2014. Presented by Lori Clift, Finance Data Processing Operations Coordinator. Modifications and transfers are as follows:

1. Increase estimated revenue in revenue budget line A.42660 (Sale of Real Property) from \$1,500 to \$26,500;
2. Increase estimated revenue in revenue budget line A.42189 (Other Home & Comm Svcs) from \$34,000 to \$74,000;
3. Increase appropriation in expenditure budget line A9950.59000 (Transfer to Capital Fund) by \$65,000.
4. Transfer \$20,000 from budget line A1680.51800 (Information Management & Technology, Temporary Services) to budget line A990.59000 (Transfer to Capital);
5. Transfer \$5,000 from budget line A8664.54410 (Code Enforcement, Professional Services) to budget line A9950.59000 (Transfer to Capital); and
6. Establish budget line H1680.590030 (HW/SW, Records Management Including Parcel Management) in the capital budget.

Motion to approve budget modifications and transfers.

Moved by Frank, seconded by Pearsall.

Motion carried. (Vote 4-0-1)

Ayes: Ryan, Pearsall, Frank, Day

Nays: None

Absent: Krey

Sale of 37 Pine Street (Greenman Senior Center). Review the three bids submitted for 37 Pine Street, and the recommendations from the selection committee. Bids received from Keith and Theresa Bovier for \$152,000; Red Barn Technology Group for \$140,000; and Angela Testani for \$138,500.

Motion to approve the bid and sale of 37 Pine Street to Red Barn Technology Group, subject to the restriction that no portion of the property may be leased or sublet without written approval from the City of Binghamton.

Moved by Frank, seconded by Pearsall.

Motion carried. (Vote 4-0-1)

Ayes: Ryan, Pearsall, Frank, Day

Nays: None

Absent: Krey

Adjournment. Motion to adjourn at 12:08pm.



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Moved by Pearsall, seconded by Frank.

Voice vote, none opposed.